

Jefferson and the Boy.
One day as Jefferson was riding on horseback through Virginia on his way from Washington to Monticello he came upon a boy trudging along with his clothes in a satchel which hung on a stick from his shoulder. He was motioned to get in, and in a moment he was sitting by the side of the President who opened the conversation by asking him who he was and where he was going. He replied that his name was Morgan and that he was going home from school, and continued by putting the same questions to the President, saying, "I beg your pardon, stranger, but what might your name be?" The President replied, "My name is Thomas Jefferson." The boy looked up astonished and asked:
"Not Tom Jefferson, President of the United States?"
"Yes," replied Jefferson, and as he did so the boy jumped from the gig and into the road, saying, "I have heard of you, Tom Jefferson. My father says you are a rascal, and wouldn't he thrash me if he caught me a ridin' with you. Father knows you and he thinks you are the biggest scoundrel in the country!" The President was so amused at the boy's charming candor that he invited him to the carriage and brought him to his journey's end, urging him before leaving to call upon him at Washington, promising him anything he desired should he honor him with a visit.
"You'll not forget me?" asked the enquiring child.
"Not I," replied Jefferson.
A year or thereabout after this occurrence young Morgan, becoming disgusted with things about home, ran off to Washington, trading his way with staff and gripsack, and covered his way to the White House and walked boldly into a room where he saw Jefferson bending over a table writing. He went up to him and laying his hand on his shoulder shouted:
"Hello, Tom Jefferson, I've come after that office." The President looked up, but could not remember the boy. Noting his amazed look young Morgan continued: "There, I told you, you would not remember me when I came here." Jefferson replied that his face was familiar, and on Morgan telling who he was the President treated him kindly, and asked him to be seated. He then called a servant and sent the boy off to be brushed up, asking him if he had another suit of clothes to which he replied that he had. He was then given a room in the White House, and the President told him to look about for a few days and see what kind of an office he wanted. This young Morgan did and at end of the first day told Jefferson he believed he would take a colonelcy in the army. President Jefferson laughed and told him that the colonels were always old men. He must take something else, but not to be in a hurry—to look around and see the city. He then sent a midshipman with him to make things pleasant for him, and in a day or two young Morgan decided that he would rather be a midshipman than anything else. Jefferson at once gave him the appointment and he went on his ship immediately. He made a splendid naval officer, and he died a commodore.

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He that gets out of debt grows rich.
The silent man is often worth listening to.
Trust a skittish horse before a hasty tongue.
A hotel well kept is a palace to the inmates.
Better go round about than fall into the ditch.
Much learning shows how little mortal knows.
A pleasant tone and a sweet smile cost nothing.
Count on the fidelity of the man who carries his heart in his hand and wears his soul in his face.
Indulgence is a sort of suicide; for the man is efficiently destroyed, though the appetite of the brute may survive.
As the mind must govern the hands, so in every society the man of intelligence must direct the man of labor.
It is very often more necessary to conceal contempt than resentment, the former being never forgiven, but the latter sometimes for got.
Children generally hate to beidle all the cure then is that their bms humor should be constantly employed in something of use to them.
Great geniuses, like great misis ters, though they are confessedly the first in the commonwealth of letters, must be envied and calumniated.
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